

This is ZOTHIQUE, a journal of experimental variant postal Diplomacy (the Aberration series). Map/rule sets for Aberration III are 25¢ (I have a few copies of the old 1st edition for 15¢); Aberration IV, 15¢. The game fee is \$4 (\$3.50 for original players in 1969Hed or 1971Fed). Players, subscribers, and traders may stand by for vacant positions under HR 9. Subscriptions are 10/\$1. This is Pandemonium Publication #357, edited and published by Rod Walker, 5058 Hawley Blvd., San Diego CA 92116; telephone (714) 282-1921; member, NEFTGB DippyDiv, IFW DipSoc, and the DipAssoc.

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SOON AS WE MAY, OFF AND AWAY!

1. ABERRATION III, the new section, needs only 2 more players. Registered: Kelomen, Keathley, Ruzic, Scott, Martin, Zablocki, Moshell. Each of you should have a copy of the maps/rules and of the 15 June 1971 HouseRules. If you are missing one or both items, please notify me. And rustle up a couple of players, too.

2. CAPTOR, which carries my Peloponnesian War game, needs only two more players to start its first game. Anybody interested? Check ZOTHIQUE #36 for details.

3. BURTON LABELLE is now at: 146 Elm St., Saco ME 04072.

4. EREWON 50 and 51 have a great deal to say about the "Diplomacy Association", and about the apparently secretive way in which it is being run. If you do not ordinarily subscribe to EREWON, single copies are 15¢ each.

5. ERROR IN HOUSE-RULES. In HR 23d, the ENGLISH "A Hol" is A Lon.

6. VARIANT FANS! See last issue again (item 6) about available stand-by positions. Then also check out SUPERNOVA (Lewis Pulsipher, 8244 Swift Rd., BattleCreek MI 49017), which will have some of the THANG games and which deals in sci-fi and fantasy-related games. SN is a good deal!

7. NEW HOUSE-RULE. Add to the Pandemonium Press House-Rules of 15 June 1971 the following: "39. ADVISORS. If any player accepts, from the Diplomacy Association or any other organization, an "Advisor", or "Consultant", or other person who assists or advises him in the play of games generally or in the play of a specific Pandemonium Press game, he is required to make full public disclosure of this fact. He must submit the name of his "Consultant" ("Advisor", whatever) to the Gamesmaster within two weeks of the assignment of the "Consultant" (etc.) or immediately upon his entry into a game, whichever occurs first. He must also notify the GM within two weeks of any change of the "Consultant" or other alterations in his status. All such information will be published in the relevantazines. Failure to comply with this House-Rule will result in the removal of the player from all games under the provisions of House-Rule 11."

1969Hed -- POLAND GOES SMASH! ISRAEL BETRAYED? Spring 1911 AB.III
IRELAND (Andrus): F Yor-Nth, F Eng H, F Ang-Hel, A Pie-Lan, A Swi-Tyr, A Lan-Gas, A Sax-Boh S by A Bav, A Hes-Mar, A Tol-Cat, F San-Por S by A Est, F Mid-Sat, F Swe-Nwy, F Bor-Swe.

ISRAEL (White): A Tur-Ira, A Ara-Sin, A Dam H.

POLAND (Linden): NMR. A Gda, A Mar, A Liv, A Vie, F Cor, F Bal /h/, A War, A Boh, & A Nov /a/.

UKRAINE (Gullett): A Kie-Pod, A Ath H, A Kaz-Tur, F Aeg-Pyl, F Pyl-Mal, A Pod-War S by A Gal, A Sze-Cro, A Cro-Tyr, A Bud S A Gal, F Del H, A Geo-Arm S by A Mes, F Cyr-Ala, A Lap-Nmk, A Kar-Nov S by A Mus.

FALL 1911 ORDERS are due on Thursday, 2 September 1971. Burton Labelle (address above) is requested to send s/b moves for Poland.

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1970Dec -- FRANCE SECOND LARGEST ON BOARD (IF HE COULD BUILD...) AB. IV

Fall 1905: My thanks to Tony Pandia for his s/b moves for Sweden. Tony is now asked to s/b for Italy, and to submit Winter 1905 adjustments if he wishes to align Italian forces within the provisions of the rules. AUSTRIA (Andrus): 20DA Tri MS 4DA Vie, 20DA Bud S 4DA Vie, 15DA Alb S 20DA Tri, 10F Spa-Bul(sc) (-3). Owns: Bud, Tri, Vie, Gre, Ser, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~ (5). Remove 2.

ENGLAND (Evencea): 10F Bra H S by 10F Eng (10F Bre /d/(-5)/Bay, Mid, ob/). 10A Rio-Tan (-3), 4A Hol-Kie (-3), 10F Bel H, 10F Jut-Den (-1) S by 7F Hol. Owns: Eda, Lpl, Len, Ere, ~~W44~~, Bel, Hol, Den (7). No change. FRANCE (Keathley): 10F For H, 20DA Gas-Bre (-2) S by 20DA Par [cut by 10CF] (-3), 10A Cat-Mar (-1). Owns: Bre, Mar, Par, Svl, Sar, Mad, Val, ~~Por~~ (8). Build 3 (but no room for any).

ITALY (Kinney): WMR: By GCs: 10F Tan-CMed, 10A Ale-Tun (-3), 2F Bul(sc) 1 /a/, 18DA Eyo MS 20DA Ven, 7A Apr S 20DA Ven, 10F Adr-Ion. Owns: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tan, Sic, Vre, Als, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~ (7). No change (1 /a/).

RUSSIA (Chilcott): 10A Mar-Tin (-3), 18DA Nwy-Mal (-2), 12DA Sil-Ber, 10A StP-Lva. Owns: Mos, StP, Sov, Sib, ~~W44~~, Ber, Mal (6). Build 1.

SPAIN (Wolfe): 5A Par-Mar (-3). Owns: ~~W44~~ (0). Remove 1. OUT. SWEDEN (Co. an): 5A Sil (R)-Gal, 5F Nwy (R)-Ska. 14DA Pru-War, 5A Gal -Dan, 7F Dor-Hol (-3)/c/(-5)/a/. 10F Kal-Mal (-3), 5 F Ska-Den (-3) S by 20A Kie (-1) [cut by 4CF], 10F Aal-Pin (-3). Owns: Kal, ~~W44~~, Sto, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~, ~~W44~~ (8). No change (1 /a/).

TURKEY (White): 10A Rib-Mun (-3), 10A Ira-Pal, 10F Con-Bul(sc)(-1) S by 9F Aeg, 10F Say-Rac. Owns: Ank, Con, Smy, Per, Egy, Bul (6). Build 1.

WINTER 1905 ADJUSTMENTS are due on Tuesday, 17 August 1971. They will be sent out and

SPRING 1906 ORDERS will be due on Thursday, 2 September 1971. Remember that builds/removals are in terms of whole single units, and that Double Armies are equal to 1½ units in supply consumption. Please also note that the rules allow certain adjustments and realignments of units whether you are building, removing, or not; furthermore, please note that you are required to bring all understrength units up to full strength by specific order or they enter next year at their present CF strengths.

1971Feb -- ULSTER RIOTS DELAY IRISH DRAFT CALL ABERRATION III

Winter 1901: John Powell, 808 Lafayette St., Denver CO 80218, is requested to send s/b Spring 1902 orders for Ireland, in the event Bob Kinney again fails to send in orders.

BURGUNDY (Borgeron): B A Dig, A Hag, F Bru. BYZNTINE EMPIRE (Just): B F Ach, F Con. HUNGARY (Keathley): B F Zar, A Bud, A Sze. IRELAND (Kinney?): NDK. Could have built 2. ISRAEL (Manogg): B F Cai, second build refused. POLAND (Wrobel): B A War, A Rig, F Gda. SICILY (Andrus): B F Rom. SPAIN (Tilson): B F San, F Val. UKRAINE (Labelle): B A Kie, F Sev.

SPRING 1902 ORDERS are due on Thursday, 2 September 1971.

BUDAPEST: Man on a park bench, reading ZOTHIQUE: "How about this taking six men to screw the new Polish King into his crown!"

Another Moapb: "Yeah, and you oughta see how they paint the castle."

ALSO WE HAVE RELEASES from Poland and Israel. These will appear in ZOTHIQUE 39.